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LOUISIANA SIXTH IN COTTON PRODUCTION

Louisiana cotton production for 1999 was 901,000 bales, up 41 percent from 1998. Yield per acre reached 709 pounds, up 121 percent or 123 pounds from a year earlier. Acres harvested totaled 610,000, up 16 percent from 1998. Among the cotton producing States, Louisiana ranks sixth, behind Texas, Mississippi, California, Georgia and Arkansas. Louisiana ranks sixth in cottonseed production at 331,000 tons.

COTTON, UPLAND ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION

STATE	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Yield		Production 1/	
	1998	1999 2/	1998	1999 2/	1998	1999 2/	1998	1999
	-----1,000 Acres-----		-----1,000 Acres-----		-----Pounds-----		-----1,000 Bales 3/-----	
Alabama	495.0	565.0	475.0	561.0	559.0	535.0	553.0	625.0
Arizona	250.0	270.0	248.0	269.0	1,177.0	1,278.0	608.0	716.0
Arkansas	920.0	970.0	900.0	960.0	645.0	710.0	1,209.0	1,420.0
California	650.0	610.0	620.0	605.0	887.0	1,254.0	1,146.0	1,580.0
Florida	89.0	107.0	80.0	106.0	489.0	516.0	81.5	114.0
Georgia	1,370.0	1,470.0	1,280.0	1,300.0	578.0	579.0	1,542.0	1,567.0
Kansas	17.0	33.0	16.5	28.0	404.0	375.0	13.9	21.9
Louisiana	535.0	615.0	525.0	610.0	586.0	709.0	641.0	901.0
Mississippi	950.0	1,200.0	940.0	1,180.0	737.0	704.0	1,444.0	1,731.0
Missouri	370.0	380.0	357.0	377.0	471.0	611.0	350.0	480.0
New Mexico	66.3	84.0	60.3	79.0	640.0	662.0	80.4	109.0
North Carolina	710.0	880.0	705.0	825.0	699.0	475.0	1,026.0	816.0
Oklahoma	160.0	240.0	120.0	150.0	560.0	461.0	140.0	144.0
South Carolina	290.0	330.0	286.0	315.0	587.0	428.0	350.0	281.0
Tennessee	450.0	570.0	445.0	565.0	589.0	505.0	546.0	595.0
Texas	5,650.0	6,150.0	3,300.0	5,100.0	524.0	475.0	3,600.0	5,050.0
Virginia	92.0	110.0	91.0	108.0	765.0	635.0	145.1	142.8
United States	13,064.3	14,584.0	10,448.8	13,138.0	619.0	595.0	13,475.9	16,293.7

1/Revised. 2/Production ginned and to be ginned. 3/480-pound net weight bales.

COTTONSEED: PRODUCTION AND FARM DISPOSITION 1/

STATE	Production		Farm Disposition				Used for Planting 3/	
			Sales to Oil Mills		Other 2/			
	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999	1999	2000
	-----1,000 Tons-----		-----1,000 Tons-----				-----1,000 Tons-----	
Alabama	192.0	225.0	67.0	78.0	125.0	147.0	6.5	6.9
Arizona	288.0	275.0	52.0	16.0	236.0	259.0	2.5	2.6
Arkansas	478.0	549.0	422.0	439.0	56.0	110.0	9.2	9.5
California	544.0	799.0	84.0	86.0	460.0	713.0	7.3	8.3
Florida	26.0	36.0	14.0	26.0	12.0	10.0	1.2	1.4
Georgia	526.0	546.0	229.0	379.0	297.0	167.0	18.0	18.0
Kansas	5.8	8.0	5.6	8.0	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.4
Louisiana	236.0	331.0	134.0	165.0	102.0	166.0	5.5	6.2
Mississippi	561.0	667.0	543.0	612.0	18.0	55.0	12.0	13.0
Missouri	135.0	178.0	121.0	104.0	14.0	74.0	4.0	4.2
New Mexico	32.6	50.5	4.5	2.2	28.1	48.3	0.9	0.9
North Carolina	351.0	278.0	88.0	44.0	263.0	234.0	7.9	8.5
Oklahoma	54.0	52.0	47.0	50.0	7.0	2.0	2.7	3.1
South Carolina	122.0	100.0	69.0	60.0	53.0	40.0	2.3	2.5
Tennessee	205.0	223.0	154.0	155.0	51.0	68.0	4.0	4.2
Texas	1,558.0	1,987.0	1,227.0	1,115.0	331.0	872.0	62.4	63.3
Virginia	51.0	49.0	0.0	1.0	51.0	48.0	1.0	1.0
United States	5,365.4	6,353.5	3,261.1	3,340.2	2,104.3	3,013.3	147.7	154.0

1/1998 crop revised, 1999 crop preliminary. 2/Includes planting seed, feed, exports, inter-farm sales, shrinkage, losses and other uses. 3/Included in "other" farm disposition. Planting seed from previous years' crop.

UNITED STATES WINTER WHEAT

Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.65 billion bushels, down 3 percent from 1999. Based on May 1 conditions, the U. S. yield is forecast at 47.5 bushels per acre, 0.3 less than last year's record. If realized, this would be the second highest yield on record. Record yields are forecast in Ohio and North Carolina. Grain area totals 34.7 million acres, down 2 percent from last season. Dry conditions in Texas have led to abnormally high abandonment.#

U.S. HAY STOCKS ON FARMS

Stocks of all hay on farms totaled 28.8 million tons on May 1, 2000, up 16 percent from May 1 of the previous year. This is the highest May stocks since 1987. Disappearance of hay from December 1, 1999-May 1, 2000, totaled 80.1 million tons, 8 percent lower than the 1998-99 crop disappearance of 87.2 million tons for the same period.

Hay stocks on May 1, 2000 were higher compared to last year in 20 of the 48 estimating States. Mild winter conditions across the Upper Midwest and Plains, following favorable production in 1999, led to increased May stocks, especially in the Great Lakes area. Michigan and Wisconsin each reported the highest May stocks since 1980. The increased stocks in these States offset the decreased stocks in States along the Ohio Valley which were effected by last year's drought.#

WINTER WHEAT

SELECTED STATES	AREA HARVESTED		YIELD		PRODUCTION	
	1999	IND. 2000	1999	IND. 2000	1999	IND. 2000
	-----1,000 Acres-----		-----Bushels-----		-----1,000 Bushels-----	
Arkansas	920	1,080	56.0	55.0	51,520	59,400
Colorado	2,400	2,350	43.0	42.0	103,200	98,700
Kansas	9,200	9,200	47.0	44.0	432,400	404,800
Louisiana	105	1/	47.0	1/	4,935	1/
Mississippi	165	210	50.0	43.0	8,250	9,030
Oklahoma	4,300	4,100	35.0	38.0	150,500	155,800
Texas	3,400	2,200	36.0	32.0	122,400	70,400
United States	35,572	34,709	47.8	47.5	1,699,989	1,648,805

1/ Not available until September 2000.

HAY STOCKS ON FARMS

SELECTED STATES	December 1			May 1		
	1997	1998	1999	1998	1999	2000
	-----1,000 tons-----			-----1,000 tons-----		
Alabama	1,646	1,213	1,472	191	141	202
Arkansas	2,075	1,900	1,900	272	260	500
Louisiana	668	290	502	103	58	91
Mississippi	1,530	1,500	1,356	198	200	135
Oklahoma	4,444	3,042	4,200	919	507	1,000
Texas	8,764	5,496	6,568	2,191	1,450	2,627
United States	103,044	112,066	108,882	21,827	24,817	28,817

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